

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2002-63-G – ORDER NO. 2002-566

AUGUST 7, 2002

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| IN RE: | Application of Piedmont Natural Gas |) | ORDER ESTABLISHING |
| | Company, Inc. for an Adjustment of its Rates |) | PREFILING DEADLINES |
| | and Charges; for Approval of Revised |) | |
| | Depreciation Rates, and Approval of Revised |) | |
| | Tariffs and Service Regulations. |) | |

This matter is before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) for the purpose of establishing pre-filing deadlines for testimony and exhibits. Pursuant to 26 S.C. Regs. 103-869(C)(Supp.2001), the Commission hereby orders that twenty-five copies of the direct testimony and exhibits of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. shall be prefiled on or before **August 7, 2002**, and that twenty-five copies of the direct testimony and exhibits of the Commission Staff and/or parties shall be pre-filed on or before **August 21, 2002**. (Direct testimony and exhibits may be post-marked on these dates.) Also, any rebuttal testimony and exhibits of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. shall be pre-filed on or before **August 28, 2002**, and any surrebuttal testimony and exhibits of the Commission Staff and/or other parties shall be pre-filed on or before **August 30, 2002**. (Rebuttal testimony and exhibits and surrebuttal testimony and exhibits must be in the offices of the Commission and in the hands of the parties on these dates.)

It should be noted that acceptance into the record of surrebuttal testimony and exhibits is subject to the discretion of the Commission. In addition, parties shall serve their pre-filed testimony and exhibits on all other parties of record as required by the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All parties are reminded that all witnesses must be present during any hearing in this matter at the call of the Chairman, or the Commission may decline to allow the witnesses' testimony to be read into the record of the proceeding, and/or may decline to allow the witnesses' exhibits to be entered into the evidence of the case.

Please take notice that any party requesting modification of this schedule must file a request for such modification with the Commission.

Additionally, the Commission Staff shall review issues in prior proceedings and provide testimony where appropriate.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



Chairman

ATTEST:



Executive Director

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